BRISBANE
THIS WEEK

War Possible, Four Kinds
10,000 Million Questions
Our Large Gold Pile
Knows Too Much at Four

Russian newspapers, speaking officially, accuse Japan of stirring up trouble along the Russian border, to "bring on grave complications."

A protest carries Stalin's warning to Japan that a continuation of these incidents "may have serious consequences in the relations of Russia and Japan, and peace in the Far East."

Arthur Brisbane

If Russia and Japan should have a serious disagreement, Russia's equipment in the way of submarines and airplanes, all within 400 miles of Tokyo, would probably enable other countries to stop worrying about Japan's military plans.

England does not approve of Mussolini's plans in Abyssinia, and the question arises, Would England close the Suez canal, the short cut for Italian troops and supplies to Abyssinia? Will Italian airplanes be forbidden to fly over the Suez canal area?

The answer as to closing the Suez canal by Britain would probably be no. England would not voluntarily provoke hostilities with Italy. She really wants peace. But, how easily war could come—French against German or English against Italian or Japanese against Russian!

Germany undertakes to establish a "family tree" for each of its 60,000,000 inhabitants, which means asking, answering, writing down ten thousand million questions.

The sensible answer would be, "I descend from Adam, with heaven knows how many mixtures in my blood on the way up," but Hitler would not accept that. Young couples getting marriage licenses are questioned: "What were your eight great-grandparents like? Did they have any Negroid or Jewish blood?

"Were they fond of telling the truth? Did they have imagination, driving power?"

Ten thousand million foolish questions would seem to set a new record.

"The greatest" country in the world, supposed to be the most intelligent, owns some tons of gold, called "worth" nine thousand million dollars.

We do not use the gold, or even invest part of it in adequate national defense, that would protect it. We are afraid some one may come, with better airplanes and submarines than ours, and steal it; so the government will dig a deep hole, far from the coast, put in it a huge safe, and hide away the gold lump, that is used only to impress the financial imagination of the world and keep foreigners from knocking down our currency.

Dolores Anne Diamond, only four, surprised teachers in a Schenectady kindergarten. She said the names for little children bored her, and she could recite the alphabet backward.

Dolores was moved to the first grade, and could have gone higher. She has the intelligence of a child of fourteen.

Usually it is better for a child to develop slowly and normally. The infant prodigy is usually dull later. Perhaps little Dolores will be an exception, like Mozart, and, at eighteen, as wise as Hypatia, with a happier ending.

Lloyd George, in spite of his seventy-two years, returns to active politics. He hates the "arid atmosphere of political controversy" and returns to active politics only because he believes that world conditions are growing worse, and "from the point of view of peace are worse than before 1914."

Miss Koutanova, Russian, twenty-one years old, jumped 24,826 feet from an airplane without oxygen apparatus and landed in a cabbage field after turning over four times before her parachute opened. She claims the female record.

Russia is teaching millions of young people to use parachutes, the first step in enriching servwtudents in flying. Here we have only a small handful of excellent pilots, but the minds of our population know as little about aviation as they do about "geometry in space."

Mr. Werner Kahn, district leader of "Hitler Youth," says Nazi doctrines have become Germany's real religion, and "the time must come when entry into the Hitler Youth organization will take the place now occupied by Catholic or Protestant confirmation." Furthermore, the young gentleman says, "I declare to all enemies of Hitler Youth that the fuehrer is our faith and national socialism is our religion."

Millions of us go through life getting little sunshine, rarely if ever looking at the stars, our interests not unlike that of the entomologically interesting tumblebug, that spends its life in the field, rolling little balls of manure into a burrow. He doesn't even realize that there is a sun, or stars, and many men are like him, although they may "own fine country places."

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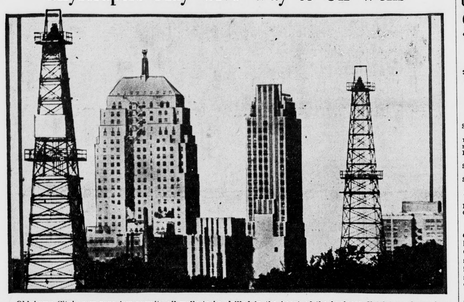
Skyscrapers May Give Way to Oil Wells



Oklahoma City's new zone law permits oil wells to be drilled in the heart of the business district as shown here. The day may come when tall buildings are torn down to make room for the skeleton-like towers.

Gets $25,000—the Lucky Dog!

Nothing to be sniffed at was the $25,000 willed to Pet, this Eskimo spitz, by his late mistress, Miss Margaret McDermott of Chicago, who asked that he be placed in the home of a woman who loved dogs. Pet is now the charge of Mrs. Hulda Rhode and her grandson Lawrence Dennis, shown here, who were friends of Miss McDermott.

Taxidermist for Defunct NRA Dodo

Meet Prentiss J. Cloonley, upon whom has been placed the charge of making the dead NRA assume something of a lifelike appearance. Mr. Cooney was code administrator of the old National Recovery administration.

He has been advanced to the position of director of the new division of business co-operation, in an attempt to revive the more noteworthy phases of NRA.

New Troops for Italy's Ethiopian Front

Fresh Italian troops and small tanks manned by Italians and natives, ready to wage Mussolini's proposed four years war in Africa, shown as they passed in review before Gen. Rodolfo Graziani (left, on the stand) in Italian Somaliland.

MAP WOMEN'S AID

Mrs. Ellen S. Woodward, assistant program director, who is busy in Washington with plans for employing 500,000 women with part of the President's $4,880,000,000 works-relief fund.

WAR IN Africa, Says Duce, Will Certainly Come by OCTOBER

Premier Benito Mussolini goes right ahead with his plans for beginning a four-years' war against Ethiopia in the fall. Italy, now overpopulated, needs more room to expand, says Il Duce, and now is the time to do it.

Efforts of Haile Selassie, Ethiopian emperor, and of other nations have failed to effect a compromise, and new troops and military equipment are arriving in Italian Somaliland almost daily.

Great Britain, through its Capt. Anthony Eden, journeyman attendant of John Bull's League of Nations affairs, offered Italy a generous slice of British Somaliland as a concession if he would guarantee peace in Ethiopia. Mussolini flatly refused.

Il Duce has also threatened to "remember" the nations which have offered to supply Ethiopia with arms.

RULES CHERRY FETE

Genevieve Pepera, Manistee blond, was chosen from western Michigan's fairest to reign as queen over the national cherry festival at Traverse City July 17, 18 and 19.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL
SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson
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Lesson for July 21
DAVID

LESSON TEXT—I Samuel 16:5-12; II Samuel 1:23-27.

GOLDEN TEXT—Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.—Philippians 2:4.

PRIMARY TOPIC—David and the Shepherd Boys.

JUNIOR TOPIC—David and the Shepherd King.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—David, the Great-Hearted.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—A Generous Attitude Toward Others.

David is one of the most prominent of Bible characters. His many-sided life and his close association with Christ give him a place of importance second to none in all the Bible. It is in this light that this great character should be viewed, and not merely as "David (The Great-Hearted)."

I. His Birth and Youth (I Sam. 16; 17:15, 34).

Bethlehem was the place of his birth, as well as that of his greater Son (Matt. 2:46). He was the youngest of Jesse's eight sons. His young manhood was spent as a shepherd. This was the first period of his schooling and preparation for life. From the brief descriptive word we learn that in his personal appearance he had auburn hair, fair eyes and a beautiful countenance (16:12). His life as a shepherd was attended with real hazards (17:34-37).

II. His Anointing (I Sam. 16:1-13).

God had revealed to Samuel that one of Jesse's sons was to be the new king. In determination of the divine choice, Jesse's sons passed before Samuel in order, beginning with Eliab, the oldest. Eliab was rejected in spite of his favorable physical qualifications. His inner condition as seen by God disqualified him. All glorying in the flesh must be set aside in the choice of a man for a place in God's program. David was chosen because of his fidelity as a shepherd boy. When the anointing oil was being applied, the Spirit of the Lord came upon him. David's attractiveness as a young man, and his unusual gifts were all to no avail without the Spirit.

III. David's Life as a Servant of the Royal Court.

1. As a harpist and armorbearer to Saul (I Sam. 16:19-23). He was brought to this king before Saul in order that the evil spirit might be allayed.

2. His triumph over Goliath. For some reason David returned to look after his father's sheep, and was being sent on an errand to his brethren in the camp, he saw the Philistine giant, Goliath, defying God and the army of Israel. He volunteered to fight, skillfully along the three which fooled the giant, and with Goliath's own sword cut off his head.

3. Won the friendship of Jonathan. This friendship has been immortalized in the world's thought. It was unique in that it grew between the two men of rival worldly interest. Jonathan was the crown prince, heir to the throne. David was heir to the throne according to divine purpose. Knowing this, Jonathan stood by David.

IV. David's Life as an Outlaw (I Sam. 21:10-13).

Though God anointed him king, David wandered for years as an outlaw to escape the murderous hand of Saul. During this time he did some foolish things, but he also learned many things in this bitter school which better fitted him to be a king, statesman, and poet, leaving to the world a rich heritage.

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"Good enough for you," Marm Pierce told her sharply, "You keep out of the Win-side of the house after this. Let him lay there and rot in his own dirt, if he's a mind."

Thereafter, Jenny obeyed this injunction, though she eventually lost any particular fear of Win Haven. He was a restless man, appearing and disappearing at long intervals, gone sometimes for months, sometimes for years. But always the day came when Jenny and her grandmother heard some stir of movement in the empty rooms so close to those in which their own lives were lived; and old Marm Pierce would say tartly:

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Jenny sometimes encountered him. He was already an old man, who grew older; yet there was youth in him too, and a vigorous spirit and a wise old eye. Bleared sometimes, by the life he led; leering sometimes with an appreciative glint as he watched Jenny's young beauty passing by. But wise and keen for all of that. A man with mirth and malice in him. Sometimes, in his own side of the house, he sang far into the night drunken, ribald songs, for the sake of annoying Marm Pierce with whom so long ago he had quarreled.

But as the Win-side of the house began to crumble, and the roof to leak, and the windows to sag, he came less often. There was no decent shelter in the rotting rooms. Jenny and Marm Pierce might forget him for months on end.

The farm was remote, approached by a byway which led off the road that ran up and down the Valley; but even the Valley road itself was little traveled. As long ago as Jenny's childhood, the Valley was already a solitary place, with only scattered families here and there. The farm was hidden within a mile of woodland, halfway between the Valley road and the brook. Some meadow land Marm Pierce tended year by year, hiring neighbors to cut back the encroaching underbrush, and to harvest the hay; and she and Jenny made a garden sufficient for their needs. The meadows that were part of Win's half of the farm were now nowadays outwardly serene—they hung in precarious balance, Caline's coming was the rock thrown the pool, sufficient to upset this ce, to loose deadly forces, to pre- a climax long delayed. His coming would set all in motion, by an inevitable process destroy lives, even three; while at the time it enriched and perfected ers.

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